

MINUTES

**CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH
CITY COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMISSION
PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY
HOUSING AUTHORITY
IMPERIAL BEACH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

NOVEMBER 16, 2016

**Council Chambers
825 Imperial Beach Boulevard
Imperial Beach, CA 91932**

REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Spriggs called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Patton, Bragg, Bilbray
Councilmembers absent: None
Mayor Absent: Dedina
Mayor Pro Tem Present: Spriggs
Staff Present: City Manager Hall, City Attorney Lyon, City Clerk Hald, Assistant City Manager Dush, Public Works Director Levien, Fire Chief French, Administrative Services Director Bradley, Management Analyst Vea

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jacqueline Trujillo from Central Elementary School.

AGENDA CHANGES

With regard to Item No. 2.7, Councilmember Bragg disclosed that she participated in a meeting with Library staff, City staff and two members of the Woman's Club.

MAYOR/COUNCIL REIMBURSEMENT DISCLOSURE/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS ON ASSIGNMENTS AND COMMITTEES

Councilmember Patton reported on his attendance at Military Appreciation Day.

Councilmember Bragg congratulated Councilmember Patton on his bid for reelection and she reported on her attendance at Military Appreciation Day, the SANDAG Transportation Committee meeting as the MTS representative, and the MTS Board meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Spriggs reported on his attendance at the League of California Cities Leadership Strategic Planning Workshop as the Vice Chair of the League's Policy Committee on Housing Community and Economic Development and the Bayside STEAM Academy ribbon cutting ceremony.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY STAFF

Public Works Director Levien introduced two new employees: Juan Larios, Civil Engineer and Pedro Parra, Lead Maintenance Worker.

City Manager Hall commented on an expenditure and disbursement listed on the Warrant Register for the Bikeway Village Project. He also gave an update and showed a PowerPoint presentation on the project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Audrie Hill voiced opposition to the height and density of the proposed hotel at Imperial Beach Blvd. and Seacoast Drive.

Steven Wright, Co-Director of 4 Walls International, showed a PowerPoint presentation on the 10th and Iris project.

Mike Griffin spoke in support of the 10th and Iris project.

PRESENTATIONS (1.1)

1.1 PRESENTATION OF AUTOFEST 2016 CHECK TO BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB.

On behalf of Autofest 2016, Robert Naranjo and representatives from the San Diego Air Club presented a \$2,000 check to the Boys and Girls Club.

CONSENT CALENDAR (2.1-2.7)

MOTION BY BRAGG, SECOND BY BILBRAY, TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 2.1 THROUGH 2.7. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: BILBRAY, PATTON, BRAGG, SPRIGGS

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: DEDINA

2.1 MINUTES.

City Council approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 19, 2016 and November 2, 2016.

2.2 RATIFICATION OF WARRANT REGISTER. (0300-25)

City Council ratified the warrant register.

2.3 RECEIVE SEPTEMBER 2016 TREASURER'S REPORT. (0300-90)

City Council received the monthly Treasurer's report.

2.4 RESOLUTION 2016-7751 AUTHORIZING A TWENTY YEAR EXTENSION TO THE STREET EASEMENT FROM THE SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT FOR A FIFTEEN FOOT RADIUS CORNER ROUNDING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF 120 ELKWOOD AVENUE FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES. (0150-70 & 0480-40)

City Council adopted the resolution.

2.5 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1159, AMENDING SECTIONS 8.38.040 AND 8.38.050 OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO SUBMISSION AND REVIEW OF WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANS. (0770-95)

City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2016-1159 amending Sections 8.38.040 and 8.38.050 of the Imperial Beach Municipal Code and waived further reading of the ordinance.

2.6 RESOLUTION NO. 2016-7752 APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR YOUTH SOCCER AND RECREATION DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS FOR IMPERIAL BEACH SPORTS PARK & CEQA NOTICE OF EXEMPTION. (0390-86 & 0920-40)

City Council adopted the resolution.

2.7 CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2016-7754 THAT WOULD APPROVE THE PROPERTY DONATION AND MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO FOR A NEW LIBRARY AND USE OF THE COMMUNITY ROOM AT 810 IMPERIAL BEACH BOULEVARD (APN 626-400-54-00 & 626-400-71-00). MF 1067. (0600-20)

City Council adopted the resolution.

ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING (3)

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES – SECOND READING & ADOPTION (4.1)

- 4.1 ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1157, PUBLIC HEARING, SECOND READING AND ADOPTION: ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS OF CHAPTERS 15.02, 15.04, 15.06, 15.14, 15.16, 15.18, 15.20, 15.28, 15.32, AND 15.34, AND 15.38 OF THE IMPERIAL BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE, BY ADOPTING THE 2016 CALIFORNIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RESIDENTIAL CODE, BUILDING CODE, HISTORIC BUILDING CODE, ELECTRIC CODE, EXISTING BUILDING CODE, FIRE CODE, MECHANICAL CODE, PLUMBING CODE, REFERENCED STANDARDS CODE, AND GREEN BUILDING CODE, RESPECTIVELY. (0250-95 & 0710-95)**

Mayor Pro Tem Spriggs opened the public hearing.

Assistant City Manager Dush reported on the item.

City Clerk Hald announced no speaker slips were submitted.

Without dissention of City Council, Mayor Pro Tem Spriggs closed the public hearing.

City Clerk Hald read the title of Ordinance No. 2016-1157.

MOTION BY BILBRAY, SECOND BY PATTON, TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1157 AMENDING SECTIONS OF CHAPTERS 15.02, 15.04, 15.06, 15.14, 15.16, 15.18, 15.20, 15.28, 15.32, 15.34, AND 15.38 OF THE IMPERIAL BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE, BY ADOPTING THE 2016 CALIFORNIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RESIDENTIAL CODE, BUILDING CODE, HISTORIC BUILDING CODE, ELECTRIC CODE, EXISTING BUILDING CODE, FIRE CODE, MECHANICAL CODE, PLUMBING CODE, REFERENCED STANDARDS CODE, AND GREEN BUILDING CODE, RESPECTIVELY. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: BILBRAY, PATTON, BRAGG, SPRIGGS

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: DEDINA

REPORTS (5.1-5.2)

- 5.1 RESOLUTION NO. 2016-7753 PROVIDING \$44,819.01 TO THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF SOUTH COUNTY TO ADDRESS A FUNDING SHORTFALL IN PROVIDING RECREATIONAL SERVICES ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH AT IMPERIAL BEACH SPORTS PARK & SPORTS PARK COLLABORATIVE UPDATE PRESENTATION. (1020-90)**

City Manager Hall reported on the item.

Aaron Ruiz, Director for the Boys and Girls Club of South County, introduced Bowe Fertig, the new Sports Park Director.

Bowe Fertig, Sports Park Director, Tim Collin and Don Spicer of Imperial Beach Little League, and Newt Copeland of Imperial Beach Girls Softball gave PowerPoint presentations and update reports on the past year.

With regard to informing the public about programs, Aaron Ruiz spoke about using social media because it's free and participating in community events which give them an opportunity to receive input directly from the residents.

Councilmember Patton suggested the use of postcard mailers and contacting EDCO and California American Water to help get the word out.

Councilmember Bragg spoke about the importance of informing the public about the various programs. She suggested the use of door hangers in the new neighborhood east of the City to inform them of the opportunities available in Imperial Beach. She spoke in support of the item.

Mayor Pro Tem Spriggs suggested the use of news outlets such as I.B. Eagle & Times and to pursue a low cost/non-profit rate.

Bowe Fertig spoke about the need for Teen Night and the popularity of the adult softball league.

MOTION BY PATTON, SECOND BY BRAGG, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2016-7753 PROVIDING \$44,819.01 TO THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF SOUTH COUNTY TO ADDRESS A FUNDING SHORTFALL IN PROVIDING RECREATIONAL SERVICES ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH AT IMPERIAL BEACH SPORTS PARK. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: BILBRAY, PATTON, BRAGG, SPRIGGS

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: DEDINA

5.2 DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL DIRECTION FROM THE CITY COUNCIL IN RELATION TO COUNCILMEMBER COMPENSATION AND ALLOWING LEASHED DOGS TO BE WALKED ON THE BEACH. (0200-95, 0410-14 & 0410-95)

City Manager Hall reported Councilmember Bilbray requested these items be placed on the agenda for further discussion and direction to staff. He stated the base pay for Councilmembers was established at \$300 per month in 1987 and has never been increased. State law states that Councilmember pay can be increased by 5% per year from the base amount which would equal \$735 per month, an increase by 145%. The second item for consideration is to allow dogs on the beach in the morning hours until 5:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. between I.B. Blvd. and Palm Ave.

Councilmember Bilbray asked for a \$300 increase in compensation for the Mayor and City Council (not the full amount allowed per State code) and a \$200 car allowance. With regard to dogs on the beach, he stated some of the lifeguards believe their resources could be better utilized rather than policing for dogs on the beach.

City Manager Hall clarified that the Mayor is a member of the City Council and therefore receives compensation of \$300 per month and a Mayoral stipend of \$800 per month. He also clarified that an increase in pay would take effect after the 2018 municipal election and it would apply to all Councilmembers.

Audrie Hill stated that some people appreciate having the beach area dog-free and she supported the 9:00 a.m. timeframe.

Councilmember Patton commented on the difficulty of reviewing one's own raise and noted that it has been almost 30 years since there has been a raise. He also spoke about the efforts involved in informing dog owners about the laws relating to dogs and his fear that the time spent on this issue could spread past 9:00 a.m. impacting the Lifeguards especially during the summer. He also expressed concern about dog waste on the beach.

Captain Stabenow spoke in support of maximizing recreational opportunities for everyone on the beach, including dog owners. He spoke about the possibility of having dogs on the beach during certain hours of the day and certain times of the year. He also stated that it would make it easier for the Lifeguards and would allow the community more beach access for their dogs.

Councilmember Bragg spoke in support of raising compensation, a car allowance and a cell phone allowance. With regard to dogs on the beach she spoke in support of maintaining a pristine beach area that is free of dog waste.

Mayor Pro Tem Spriggs spoke in support of proceeding with the establishment of the dog park (previously considered by City Council) and then monitor for requests to have dogs on the beach. He expressed concern about dog waste on the beach and the impacts it could have on tourists enjoying the beach, he said that dogs and joggers are not a good mix, and he spoke in support of enforcing the existing ordinance about picking up waste after pets. With regard to the

issue of Councilmember compensation, he advised that Councilmembers are able to submit reimbursement for mileage, he expressed uneasiness with considering raises for themselves, and he expressed doubt that salary is a deterrent for someone running for City Council.

Councilmember Bilbray stated there is not a consensus to have dogs on the beach.

Councilmember Patton spoke about the possibility of discussing Councilmember pay in the future when the Mayor and new Councilmember are present, he questioned what other Councilmembers make and was opposed to tracking mileage.

Spriggs spoke about the tools available to help determine mileage.

MOTION BY SPRIGGS, SECOND BY PATTON, TO ASK STAFF TO DO RESEARCH ON OTHER COUNCIL'S OVERALL COMPENSATION FOR COMPARABLE-SIZED CITIES AND INCLUDE COMPENSATION FOR CELL PHONE OR OTHER COMMUNICATION DEVICES, TRAVEL AND MILEAGE EXPENSES AND BRING IT BACK FOR CONSIDERATION THE SECOND MEETING IN JANUARY OR FIRST MEETING IN FEBRUARY.

City Council discussion:

With regard to Council pay and compensation, there was a request to have staff recommend the easiest and legal methods.

VOTES WERE NOW CAST ON ORIGINAL MOTION BY SPRIGGS, SECOND BY PATTON, TO ASK STAFF TO RESEARCH OTHER COUNCIL'S OVERALL COMPENSATION FOR COMPARABLE SIZED CITIES AND INCLUDE COMPENSATION OF CELL PHONE OR OTHER COMMUNICATION DEVICES, TRAVEL AND MILEAGE EXPENSES AND BRING IT BACK FOR CONSIDERATION THE SECOND MEETING IN JANUARY OR FIRST MEETING IN FEBRUARY. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: BILBRAY, PATTON, BRAGG, SPRIGGS

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: DEDINA

I.B. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY REPORTS (6)

None.

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR (IF ANY)

None.

ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Pro Tem Spriggs adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:43 p.m.

_____/s/
Edward J. Spriggs,
Mayor Pro Tem

_____/s/
Jacqueline M. Hald, MMC
City Clerk